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Commissioner for Patents

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Re: Application of Nobuyuki SUDA entitled:  
 "TIRE CONSTRUCTION MEMBER PRODUCING  
 METHOD AND DEVICE THEREFOR"  
 Assignee: BRIDGESTONE CORPORATION  
 Our Reference: Q85358

Sir:

The following documents and fees are submitted herewith in connection with the subject application for the purpose of entering the National Stage under 35 U.S.C. §371 in accordance with the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

- ☐ a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- ☒ an English translation of the International Application.
- ☒ Seven (7) sheets of drawings illustrating Figs. 1, 2, 3(a), 3(b), 4(a), 4(b), 4(c), 4(d) and 5-8.
- ☐ an English translation of Article 19 claim amendments.
- ☐ an English translation of Article 34 amendments (annexes to the IPER).
- ☐ a copy of the executed Assignment and Form PTO-1595.
- ☒ an Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing the ISR/IPER references.
- ☒ a copy of each reference cited in the ISR/IPER.
- ☒ a Preliminary Amendment.
- ☒ It is expressly requested that National Stage processing be commenced immediately in accordance with 35 U.S.C. §371(f).



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The Declaration and Assignment documents will be filed at a later date.

It is presumed that copies of the International Application, the International Preliminary Examination Report, and any Articles 19 and 34 amendments as required by 35 U.S.C. §371(c) were supplied directly by the International Bureau, but if additional copies are required, the undersigned attorney will provide the same upon request.

After entry of the concurrently filed Preliminary Amendment, the Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>13</u>	-	<u>20</u>	=	<u>0</u>	x	\$50.00	=	<u>0</u>
Independent claims	<u>1</u>	-	<u>3</u>	=	<u>0</u>	x	\$200.00	=	<u>0</u>
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A check for the statutory filing fee of \$1,000.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all additional required fees (except the Issue/Publication Fees) to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is also attached.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. §119 is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2002-176,712	June 18, 2002

Respectfully submitted,

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